

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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To Commissioner For Patents

Please enter the following submission and withdraw the finality of the proceeding office action or withdraw any pending appeal and reopen prosecution before the Examiner.

<i>Application Number</i>	09/846,596
<i>Filing Date</i>	April 30, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Cornelis B. Wouters
<i>Prior Group Art Unit</i>	2186
<i>Prior Examiner Name</i>	Woo H. Choi
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	NL000240

This is an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application (which is made prior to: payment of issue fee; abandonment; notice of appeal to the CAFC; or commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. 145 or 146.)

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 16, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- Other Preliminary Amendment to follow shortly.

b.  Enclosed

- Amendment/Reply
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- Other \_\_\_\_\_ (may not be a brief)

**2. Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (May not exceed 3 months; Fee required per 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(i))

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**3. Fees**

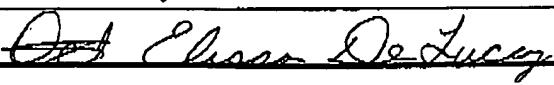
a.  The Commissioner For Patents is hereby authorized to charge all required fees except the issue fee or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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